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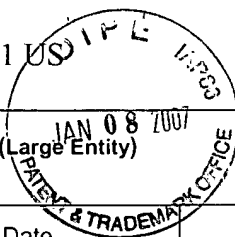
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Invention:

Method And System Of Purifying Polymers For Use With Implantable Medical Devices

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.


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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Examiner Lin:

This responds to the Office Action dated October 10, 2006. This response is being filed prior to the three-month date of January 10, 2006.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 6 of the response.